

Docket No.: 1247-0464P  
(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
Akitoshi KOJIMA et al.

Application No.: 09/995,652

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Art Unit: 3689

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
MERCHANDISE RETAIL  
MANAGEMENT AND PORTABLE  
TERMINAL

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Examiner: G. Araque

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF**

MS Appeal Brief - Patents  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Madam:

In response to the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief mailed January 21, 2009, Applicant submits herewith the Status Of Claims section in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 41.37 as follows:

*The "Status Of Claims" identify the claims on appeal.*

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Catherine M. Voisinnet (Reg. No.52,327) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

The present submission is being timely filed within thirty (30) days of the mailing date of the Notice. Accordingly, no extension of time fees should be due.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Attachment: Status Of Claims

**III. STATUS OF CLAIMS**

Claims 1-16 remain pending. Claims 1, 3, and 14 are independent. No claims have been allowed. Claims 1-16 are the subject of the present appeal.